

CONCORDIA COUNCIL ON STUDENT LIFE

MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD IN ROOM 769 OF THE HALL BUILDING, SIR GEORGE WILLIAMS  
CAMPUS AT 5:15 P.M. ON DECEMBER 19, 1978

Present: Prof. F. W. Bedford, Chairman  
Mr. B. Counihan, Mr. M. Flynn, Mr. J. A. Sproule, Mr. B. Philip, Ms. J. Richardson, Rev. R. Gaudet, S.J., Ms. N. Cullen, Prof. W. Gilsdorf, Prof. A. Riding, Prof. R. Wills, Prof. J. Macaluso, Mr. O. El-Awadi, Mr. A. Mannessy, Mr. A. Lajoie, Mr. W. Muloin, Ms. M. Eberlin, Mr. P. Sauer, Mr. M. Wiemann, Mr. R. Sharma, Mr. C. A. Duff, Mrs. N. Cooper, Secretary.

Alternate: Mr. J. Goldner for Mr. F. Denton

Absent: Dr. E. Enos, Mr. D. Insleay, Prof. R. Allison, Mr. M. Eson, Ms. N. Marrelli, Ms. A. Grant, Ms. I. Birnstingl, Ms. H. Obeirmeir, Mr. J. Lacombe, Mr. A. Weiner.

Guest: Rev.M. Terho

Chairman's Remarks

- 1.0 The Chairman called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m. and reported that he had received a reply from Dr. O'Brien stating that he would speak to Council at the January meeting. He had received a letter from Vice Rector Martin stating that he will attend the February meeting with Mr. Pétolas and Mr. Beaudoin to discuss space allocations on campus. The Rector had also written on November 21, 1978 concerning Reading Days and enclosing a copy of the academic calendar for 1979-80. Reading Days have been planned for Monday and Tuesday, February 25 and 26, 1980.

Approval of Minutes of Meeting held on November 20, 1978

- 2.0 On MOTION of Mr. Sproule, SECONDED by Father Gaudet the minutes of the previous meeting held on November 20, 1978 were APPROVED with the following correction: on page 2, first paragraph, that Prof. Martin be changed to Vice Rector Martin.

Guest Speaker - Dr. R. E. Wall

- 3.0 Prof. Wall commented on press statements regarding the lack of a single philosophy in the Arts and Science Faculty. He stated that with such a large faculty it would be very difficult to articulate a single philosophy and thus there are many. The colleges, he said, are a response to the wise decision to have as many groups as there are philosophies. Five units have been approved. Two are in operation, the Centre for Mature Students and the Simone de Beauvoir Institute. The Liberal Arts College, the School for Community and Public Affairs and Lonergan College were approved at the last meeting of the Board of Governors and are expected to commence in the Fall of 1979. The various institutes, schools and colleges are diverse in philosophy of education and goals, but respond to basic needs in the field of Arts and Science. They are a device for recruiting new students. A prime concern is for quality education and to this end very qualified people in the Faculty of Arts and Science are being asked to act as fellows and tutors in order to break down a separation of faculty and students. Different units will emphasize different things.

The Liberal Arts College will answer a need for a liberal arts education and require honours quality students for admission as well as excellent English language



skills and a second language requirement. This College will attempt to go back to fundamentals and give students the type of education that is available nowhere else in Canada today. Plans are being made for a comparable college for science.

Loneragan College, to be located on the Loyola Campus, will offer high quality work and standards in humanities and moral values although certain students in science may be members. Excellent performance will be demanded from its students and each year an outstanding Visiting Fellow will be invited to teach.

The School for Community and Public Affairs will cooperate with the two levels of government and industries dealing with government to train bilingual candidates for the civil service and those in industry dealing with government.

An idea based on the work-study programs offered at Waterloo University, the Institute of Cooperative Education, is a concept presently before Senate and will emphasize bilingualism as well. The speaker stated that there has been overwhelming enthusiasm on the part of business to this concept.

Dr. Wall emphasized that the two presently operating Colleges are viewed as support structures answering the needs of particular students in an academic capacity. They should not be considered ghettos.

After replying to questions from the members of Council, Dr. Wall was thanked by Mr. Sproule who congratulated him for establishing the colleges so quickly and adroitly with aggressive leadership.

#### Reports of Area Directors

- 4.0 Reports of the area directors having been previously distributed, questions were elicited from members. Fr. Gaudet reported that the Christmas basket fund at Loyola had resulted in thirty-nine hundred dollars being collected to distribute baskets to seventy-four families. Dean Flynn reported that the three Sir George Williams student associations represented on Council had made a concerted effort to improve the space problem on that campus and approval of the mezzanine project and the psychiatric service had resulted. }?

#### Report of the Priorities and Budget Committee

- 5.0 The Chairman of this Committee, Mr. Macaluso, reported that the Priorities and Budget Committee had met several times and were considering recommendations to be made to Council regarding priorities of student life. This document would be submitted to Council before the February meeting in order to obtain support from the community at large. For this reason student associations were requested to send weighted suggestions to the Priorities and Budget Committee. The Council was reminded that its primary task is to discuss and set priorities in a cogent on-going manner so that necessary changes may be identified by CCSL and implemented by the administration. As continuity of representation is necessary on the Priorities and Budget Committee all areas were requested to ensure that their representative would be willing to continue.
- 5.1 Dean Flynn reported that he had turned over to Mr. Macaluso a copy of a survey of student life at Brandis University. At the request of members of Council, Mr. Macaluso agreed to circulate copies of this to members.

Campus Ministry - Rev. R. Gaudet, S.J. and Rev. M. Terho

- 6.0 To illustrate the work of the Chaplaincy, Father Gaudet circulated a copy of the annual report of the Loyola Campus Ministry for 1977-78 and spoke to it. Rev. Terho distributed a pamphlet from the Chaplain's office on the Sir George Williams Campus, and expanded on some of the services offered, including counselling, ecumenical endeavours outside the university, and the pastoral team for the 1980 Olympics in Lake Placid.

Sous-comité vie étudiante

- 7.0 In Mr. Insleay's absence, Dean Flynn stated that there was nothing to report.

Other Business

- 8.0 a) Mr. Counihan distributed a Financial Aid Report on behalf of both campuses. Dean Flynn suggested that this matter be tabled until the January meeting when the Financial Aid officers could be available to answer questions.
- 8.1 b) Mr. Duff thanked the Bio-Physical Education Department for the Hockey Night that was held in his honour and in which members of Council had assisted. On behalf of the Board of Governors and Administration Mr. Duff expressed pleasure with the activities of the Council and the progress that is being made to improve student life at the University.
- 9.0 The meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m. dinner in the Faculty Club to follow.